

# The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1903.

PRICE THREE CENTS.

## New Wash Goods!!!!

'Tis time to think of Spring Wash Goods. This year, as a rule, the Wash Goods are very sheer. What can be prettier than fancy lace stripes with dainty sprigs of flowers and foliage?

Plain and Lace Dimity, Organ die, Mercerized Madras, Scotch Oxford, Dotted Swiss, and Torchon Lace are some of the swellest Wash Goods. More pretty weaves and dainty colorings than ever.

Why not buy now, before they are picked over and the best styles gone?

DOTTED SWISS with pretty flower sprigs and stripes, 12 1-2c.

PLAIN and LACE DIMITY, all colors, very pretty, 12 1-2c.

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TORCHON LACE, a very pretty goods with mercerized stripe and dainty colors, 18c.

Also many other styles.

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Always bear in mind that

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Is as good plated ware as money can buy. A stock of which I always have on hand at the bottom price. I also have a few of those GOOD ALARM CLOCKS left which I sell at \$1.00 each.

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BETHEL, MAINE.

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### Tendency of the Times.

The tendency of medical science is toward preventive measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip), and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which the great prevalence of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pain in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

## THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Mrs. Arthur Wiley went to Portland, Saturday.

Mrs. Billings is visiting in Boston and vicinity.

M. J. Swain of Hanover was in the village, Monday.

Mr. Eli Stearns shipped the second car of apples Monday.

Miss Grace Chapman has returned from a visit in Portland.

Carl Swenson of Portland spent Sunday with friends in town.

Miss Agnes Fuller of Oxford was in town a few days last week, visiting friends.

Dan Smith started for Pittston, Monday, where he is to teach the High school.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. F. B. Tuell Thursday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

Robert Manning went to his home in North Waterford, Friday, returning Sunday.

Mr. Calvin Bisbee who has been quite ill for the past few weeks is steadily improving.

E. L. Harvey who has been ill for the past two weeks, returned home from Bowdoin last night.

Mrs. Wm. Morice was called to New York, Monday, by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Myers.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold a social in Garland chapel Friday evening of this week. All are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Gould of Portland have been visiting Mrs. Gould's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Chapman.

Rev. F. E. Barton preached at the Universalist church in Norway last Sunday as Miss Angell is away on a vacation.

Mr. Winfield Packard who spent a number of months in town two years ago, and who has been teaching in Searsport this winter is ill of typhoid fever at that place.

Hon. J. M. Philbrook was home from Augusta last Saturday. Mrs. Philbrook who is spending the winter in Augusta, accompanied him as far as Portland, and spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Dr. Brown, of South Portland.

Mr. Wilfred Bowler of Bridgton was in town last week, enroute to Chicago, Ill., to attend the annual Alumni meeting of the Northern Illinois College of Optics.

Miss Ethel Hammons has just closed a very successful term of school in Detroit, Me., and has returned to her home in West Bethel. She was in the village Monday.

The Twitchells of Oxford county are a hardy race. Dr. Geo. M. Twitchell of the Maine Farmer tells some good stories of the rugged physique and endurance of members of the family, but he heard a new one the other day. A Bethel youngster named Twitchell was pitching in a base ball game in Norway. He attempted to catch a hot liner off the bat, but it passed through his hands and struck him squarely in the throat, knocking him senseless. A horrified summer visitor who had come from Bethel to see the game, turned to her escort with the tremulous inquiry: "Do you suppose that killed him?" "Kill him, thunderation, no! He's a Twitchell."

### Prospect Inn Party.

The trustees of the Library Association take pleasure in announcing that a pleasing program has been arranged for the Party Feb. 19, which will occupy the first hour of the evening.

It is hoped that many patrons and friends who do not care particularly for games, will feel interested to come and enjoy the talent which will be so generously given for the benefit of the Association. Admission 25 cents; homemade candies for sale.

Prospect Inn is warm, well lighted and in every way a delightful place in which to enjoy a party of this nature. "Come one, come all" to Prospect Inn Feb. 19, at 7:30 o'clock.

H. H. Hastings, Esq., was in Portland last Friday.

A new line of neck ribbons at 10c, per yard at E. E. Burnham's.

The Columbian Club will meet Saturday afternoon with Mrs. A. E. Herrick.

Frank Mason of Boston has been visiting relatives in town for the past two weeks.

W. B. Wight, one of the selectmen of Newry was in the village on business, Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Sturdivant are accepting congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

The Ladies' Aid will hold a meeting at Odd Fellows block, Thursday afternoon, Feb. 19, at 3 o'clock.

Miss Ethel Farwell has finished her school at Greenwood City, and is the guest of Miss Carrie Wight at North Newry.

Miss Edith Walker returned home Saturday, from an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. J. Clinton Metcalf of Farmington.

George and Frank Haggood were called home from Massachusetts last week by the critical illness of their father.

Rev. W. W. Hooper of Westbrook preached at the Universalist church Sunday, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Mr. Barton.

The ladies of the M. E. society will provide an Antiquarian dinner at Odd Fellows block, at high noon Thursday, Feb. 19. Price, 20c.

The little three-year-old daughter of Mr. Amos King of Locke Mills fell and broke her leg last Friday, while playing on the crust.

Mrs. W. E. Abbott has been quite seriously ill for the past week. Dr. Bradbury was called in consultation with Dr. Wight last Friday.

Have you seen the new cards of Highland Linen in Miss Hall's window, in shades of Blue, Gray and White, for notes and invitations.

Prin. F. E. Hanscom and Associate Prin. J. L. Dyer are both on the sick list. Owing to their illness there was no session of school Tuesday.

Miss Ruby Clark went to Portland, Saturday, to visit relatives and friends; she will also visit her brother Roscoe and wife, who reside in Saco.

Bethel Grange, No. 56, will hold its regular meeting, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 21, at 2 o'clock. Program, will consist of music, current events, especially news from Legislature, reading.

Next Sunday, Feb. 22, at the Universalist church, the subject will be "Christian Citizenship." The sermon in the forenoon will be on "Lessons from the life of Washington."

Miss E. Ivy Archibald of Lancaster, N. H., visited her uncle, H. O. Archibald, at the home of Mrs. Ada Wight, the latter part of last week and first of this, returning home Monday evening.

The third of the series of dances in Odeon Hall was given last Thursday evening when the usual large attendance was had. Another will be held two weeks from to-morrow night, Mar. 5.

Our girls bore themselves splendidly in the basket-ball game last Saturday, and Gould's Academy has reason to be proud of everyone of them. An on-looker cannot resist the impulse to call attention to a little incident of the game. The recognized Champion whose magnificent feats of physical strength, superb nerve poise and marvelous self-control had aroused the wildest enthusiasm, was heard to say in one of the hardest scrimmages for the ball when she gave her adversary and unintentional jostle, "Pardon me," in a tone as calm and gracious as one would use in a ball-room. Strength and gentleness are a very fine combination, and the training that makes it possible for a girl in the heat of such a contest as was waged last Saturday, to remember her manners, is a pretty good vindication, if vindication were needed, of athletic sports for girls.

## BASKET BALL.

It was a good sized crowd that gathered at the G. A. gymnasium Saturday afternoon to see the G. A. girls redeem themselves by a 7-3 victory over the Penthesileas of Lancaster High school.

The visitors arrived on the express Friday afternoon and were then taken for a short ride around town after which the members of both teams took supper at the Universalist chapel where special preparation had been made for them.

Later in the evening came a grand social at the G. A. gymnasium which had been decorated for the occasion. The program of games was greatly enjoyed by all and as for the music, it need only be said that it was furnished by Miss Billings to assure all that it was our best. The punch tables were presided over by Mrs. D. S. Hastings and Mrs. G. R. Wiley.

Saturday morning one of Plaisant's teams took the visitors all around town as well as to some points of interest outside the village returning in time for dinner.

At 2.15 the settees in the gymnasium were well filled with spectators, many of whom were eager to see their first game of basket ball and be convinced whether or not girls can indulge in such games and still be ladies and they were shown that girls can take part in basket ball with skill and without bringing in a single feature to which any woman could object. The Penthesileas were the first to appear and were greeted with a cheer which changed to a real yell when the G. A. girls ran upon the field a few minutes later. A toss of the penny and referee Dyer put the ball in play with the G. A. forwards at the west goal. The first half was rather slow owing to long holding and numerous fouls but Miss Hastings found time to throw two goals, the second one when three of the visitors were guarding her, while for the visitors Miss Cummings threw a goal from the field and one from a foul, making the score at the end of the half, G. A., 4; Penthesileas, 3.

Just at the end of the half Miss Carter threw a pretty goal from a long pass but it did not count as the timekeeper's whistle blew just as the pass was made.

The second half was as pretty an exhibition of basket ball as one could ask to see; every girl on the G. A. team caught and passed with such skill that seldom was the ball in an opponent's hands. Three times Miss Cummings had a clear field but the wire screens bothered her badly and no goals resulted.

During this half Miss Carter threw a goal from the field and Miss Hastings one from a foul making the final score 7-3 in favor of the G. A. girls.

The visitors were badly bothered by the soft wood floor and posts in the gymnasium as well as the wire screens back of the baskets where they use simply boards.

For Lancaster Miss Marshall played very well and was in every play while Miss Cummings was a close second. For G. A. Miss Hastings was easily first but each of the others played her position strongly and with credit; Miss Morse batted the ball from her taller opponent nearly every time it was put in play at center; Miss Carter threw well for goals and in the second half Misses Whidden and Stanley did such superb catching and passing as to call forth repeated applause.

It is claimed that the Westbrook Seminary team which will play at the G. A. gymnasium Saturday afternoon, has the best basket ball player in the State. Come to the game and see.

G. A. PENTHESILEAS. Bessie Stanley, r. f., l. g., Olivia Johnson Edith Hastings, l. f., (Capt.) Lucie Morse, c., r. g., Lula Linscott Mollie Carter, l. g., r. f., Dora Cummings Margaret Whidden, r. g., l. f., Angie Putnam, (Capt.) Referee, Mr. Dyer of Gould's; umpire, Mr. Damon of Lancaster; timekeepers, Misses Williams of Gould's and Ingersoll of Lancaster; score, G. A., 7, Penthesileas, 3. Goals from field, Miss Carter, Miss Hastings (2) Miss Cummings; goals from fouls, Miss Hastings, Miss Cummings. Time, 20 and 15 minute halves.

## Another Dinner!

Vegetables, brown bread, beans, pies, puddings, etc., will again be served by the ladies of the Methodist church at the Odd Fellow building to-morrow noon. Prices the same as before, 20 and 15 cents. We are told that such a dinner is well worth 25 cents. But, as the man said, "Dinner for nothing," or almost nothing, "is preferable to nothing for dinner." So we plan to give you more than your money's worth. Yet, if any one should insist on paying a quarter, of course we would accept it rather than make a fuss about it.

Remember the date, to-morrow at high noon.

## Prize Speaking.

The annual Prize Speaking of Gould's Academy will occur in Odeon Hall, Friday evening, Feb. 27, at quarter of eight o'clock. The following numbers will be rendered:

Old Willie, David Barker  
Earle W. Philbrook, The Execution of Sidney Carton, Charles Dickens  
Bessie M. Stanley, A Violin Fantasy, Selected  
Harry Burlington, The Eloquence of O'Connell, Wendell Phillips  
Paul Thurston, The Death of Eva, Harriet Beecher Stowe  
Florence Skillings, Wee Willie Winkie, Rudyard Kipling  
Mary Carter, The Heart of Old Hickory, Nora C. Franklin  
Victor M. Gehring, Advice of a Self-Made Merchant to His Son, George H. Lorimer  
Chester Bean, A Second Trial, Sarah Louise Kellogg Maude Davis.  
Thrush, Henry Davenport  
Lula M. Arno, The Three Lovers, Will Carleton  
Perry A. Bean, The Fight With the Aurochs, Henry Steniewicz Margaret Whidden.  
Admission 20c; reserved seats 30c. Tickets will be on sale at Wiley's drug store, Saturday, Feb. 21.

## Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.  
We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.  
WESS & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KIRKMAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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## RINGS!

The Ring is one of the most popular articles of jewelry. They have been worn for thousands of years, and their use is constantly increasing. The stock of Rings I carry is large for a town of this size, and the assortment varied enough to suit almost anyone.

## Engagement and Wedding Rings,

ALL PRICES,

**Edward King**  
JEWELER-OPTICIAN

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To furnish or even one room, —a dining room, library, hall or parlor, you may accept as an absolute fact that here in this Furniture and Carpet stock your money will get for you more and better things than at any other store.

Now we'd like to tell you about a few more of those medium and low priced Chamber Suites that we've been advertising. They are almost every one made of oak —good, clean stock at that—the mirrors in dressers are all French quality and beveled. There are about twelve of these suites; the prices vary from \$25.00 to \$50.00 for bedstead, dresser and commode. Every one is marked low, each design represents our whole stock of that style. None of them will be run the coming season. Our next season designs are bought and we need place to show them on arrival. You take absolutely no chance in ordering one of these by mail —we take all the chances—because we guarantee to please you. Better way, of course, is to call and see them, but if you cannot come, order by mail, trust us to select at the price you mention as wanting to pay.

## Woven Wire Spring Beds, \$2.50

Soft Top Mattresses, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, and \$5.00.

Pillows \$1.00 per pair up to \$5.00.

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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 1903.

## Legislative Notes.

Mead of Bridgton has presented a resolve appropriating \$200 for screening the outlet of Peabody pond in the county of Cumberland.

Woman suffrage was easily disposed of in the house Thursday. The motion to substitute the minority report, which denies the suffrage to women, was carried by a vote of 110 to 29.

The seventy-first legislature has sighted its first milestone; the seventeenth was set as the last day for the reception of bills, petitions and resolves asking private and special legislation. This date was set in an order introduced by Representative Smith of Presque Isle, January 22, and passed by both branches.

Mr. Pettengill of Rumford has presented a bill in relation to the compensation of town officers. The act provides that towns having four thousand or more shall have

the right to vote their selectmen a per diem consideration not exceeding five dollars per day for time actually spent in the service of the town.

The committee on inland fish and game reported the bill providing for a license on hunters and according to the wisdom of the committee on the matter of prices, non-resident hunters ought to pay for the privilege of hunting the forests of Maine as follows: license to hunt birds and other small game, \$5; license to hunt birds, small game and deer, \$10; license to hunt birds, small game, deer and moose, \$25.

There was no opposition at the hearing to the bill substituting Patriots' Day for Fast Day.

## The Bears of Oxford.

The Oxford bears were heard from Wednesday afternoon at the meeting of the committee on in-

laud fish and game when the petitioners for the restoration of the bounty on bears were given a hearing.

Mr. W. F. Small of Newry told the story of the farmers and the bears. He says that the provision of the present law which makes it necessary that the remains of a sheep killed by wild animals be inspected by one of the selectmen, renders the law inoperative.

A bear said Mr. Small, picks up the sheep and takes it into the woods. Then he neatly removes the skin and rolls it up after which he eats his mutton. Inasmuch as it is not possible to collect over three dollars for a sheep it is evident that it is not worth while to range the woods looking for what Bruin may have left of his feast. Mr. Small knows a lot about bears. He said that to one bear shot outside of a trap, twenty-five are killed in the traps, that he had a good sheep pasture but he did not keep sheep there as he was not in the business of feeding the bears.

Senator Philbrook of Oxford told of a case where 23 out of a flock of

# JOHNSON'S ANODYNE Liniment

cures inflammation in any part of the body, from a cold in the head to a sprained ankle. *It's the only* **ment** equally good for internal or external use. Every mother should keep it always in the house. For nearly a century it has been the quickest, safest, surest remedy for emergencies and has saved many lives. During the winter JOHNSON'S ANODYNE LINIMENT is a remedy of almost daily use in curing colds, coughs, croup, catarrh, bronchitis, the grippe, lameness, muscle soreness and pain and inflammation in any part of the body. 25 cents and 50 cents a bottle. The larger size is more economical. Made by

## Cures Inflammation

56 sheep were eaten by bears. Representative Peaslee also favored the restoration of the bounty. There was also a proposition to

There was also a proposition before the committee to restore the bounty on wildcats but wildcats in

Maine are said to be about scarce as snakes in Ireland, except in regions where there are no tlements. The committee did act on these matters.

Grand Furniture, Carpet, Rug, Drapery, Wall Paper, Crockery, Stove, and Range Sale  
Commences February 16th, 1903.

The Lowest Prices will be made of any in  
New England.

The Freight will be paid to your nearest Railroad station.

Photographs furnished of any goods wanted.

Your money will be cheerfully refunded if goods are not satisfactory.

**Your car fare will be allowed on cash purchases of \$100.00 with a 100 miles.**

Exchange will be made with pleasure.

The Reliable Blue Trading Stamps will be given on all cash purchases.

Mail Orders filled same day as received when possible.

Goods, if paid for, will be stored free 6 months.

Samples of Draperies, Carpets, etc., sent application.

Homes completely furnished for \$161.55 ; other complete outfits up to \$3000.00.

Interior Decorating by competent artists.

Refrigerators  
\$14 80 now \$8 85  
16 00 now 9 85  
18 00 now 12 85  
20 00 now 13 85  
and so on.

Chests  
\$10 00 now \$6 95  
and others.

Six-Piece White Toilet Sets  
\$1.19

Six-Piece Decorated Sets  
\$1.49

Go-Carts  
All more than one-third off.  
25 Specials, \$12 00 ones  
\$7 95. 65 to be in the sale.

Bath Room Supplies  
Nickel-plated Sponge Hold-  
ers. \$1 80, now 99 cents.

7 oak and nickel and rubbered Bath  
Tub Seats, that have been  
\$1 75, now \$1 19.

3 Nickel Brush and Comb Holders,  
\$1 75 now \$1 19.

4 Tooth and Soap Dish Holders,  
\$1 55 now \$1 21.

2 Dozen nickel-plated double Match  
Safes. 19 cts., now 12 cts.

White Enamel Five-Draw  
Chiffoniers  
\$5.95

Solid Oak Bureaus and  
French Glasses  
Were \$11 00 to be \$6 95.

Woven Wire Spring Beds  
All sizes and quality, \$1 49.

Heavy Eight Old  
New England Ranges  
Were \$25 00, to be \$19 00.

Hardwood Leg Kitchen Tables,  
With drawers, \$1 39; were  
\$2 25.

Golden Finish Wood Seat  
Dining and Kitchen Chairs  
To be 59 cts., were 85 cts.

All-Wool Art Squares  
3 x 2 1/2, \$4 59. Other sizes.

Fur Rugs  
Unlined. Black, white and  
gray, \$2 98, were \$4 00 and  
\$4 50. Lined ones, \$4 89,  
have been \$5 75 and \$6 50.

Hassocks  
Two sizes, 52c, were \$1 00,  
Baby ones, 18c, were 30c.

1000 Yards of 20 Cent  
China Straw Matting  
To be 10 cts. per yard.

500 Yards of Heavy  
50 Cent Matting  
To be 25 cents per yard.

1000 Yards of New Oil Cloth  
To be 29 cents per yard.

Stair Enamel  
15 inch, 7 1/4 cts., was 12 cts.  
18 inch, 8 1/4 cts., was 15 cts.

45 Inch Best Table Enamel  
All colors, 17 cts., was 30 cts.

Heavy Table Felt  
For dining table, 60 inch  
wide, 59 cts., usually 85 cts.

4 Yard wide Heavy  
American Linoleums  
Beautiful new Spring patterns,  
\$1 00 now 59 cts.

8-4 Heavy Linoleum  
85 cents now 39 cents  
75 cents now 33 cents  
New patterns.

Reliable Bissell's  
Carpet Sweepers  
\$3 00 ones, now \$2 39

50 Cent Oil Carpet  
To be 29 cts per yard

Prairie Grass Carpet  
All colors, to be 38 cts.

Rug Fringe  
All colors, the best to be 7 cts.  
per yard, worth 12 cts.

Sanitary Extra Super Carpets  
One yard wide, both sides  
different. Wear as well as a  
\$1 00 3-ply, to be 65 cts. per  
yard.

Japanese Mattings  
Were 50 cts. now 25 cts.

Inlaid Linoleum Carpets  
Short lengths, 95c per yard.

Heavy Wool Cotton Warp Carpets  
50 cent ones to be 29c per yd.

All Wool Carpets 39 cts. per yard.

Heavy All Wool Carpets  
Worth 70c to 85c, to be 59c.

Rattan Carpet Beaters  
21 cents, usually 30 cents.

Best Rubber Door Mats  
Worth \$1 25 to \$1 50, to be  
98 cents.

9 x 12 Rugs  
Beautiful Axminster, \$21 95,  
usually \$32 00 and \$35 00.

9 x 14 Rugs  
Double faced Symrna, \$19 45;  
have been \$27 50.

30 x 60 Fringed Rugs  
\$1 19, have been \$1 75.

400 Yards Light Weight  
China Matting  
Was 15 cents, to be 7 1/4 cts.,  
New this year.

9 x 16 Rugs  
\$23 75, double faced Symrna,  
have been \$32 50 and \$40 00.

New Line Rugs  
New line Imported Summer  
Rugs for cottages. Marked  
one third off, in plain figures.

High-Grade Quartered White  
Oak Parquet Flooring  
One yard wide, 90 cents.

Mahogany Inlaid Border  
30 cents per running foot.

Fiber Carpets  
Short pieces. 39 cents, were  
50 cts.; 42 cts., were 60 cts.

High-Grade Denims  
All art colors, 16c per yard.

Imitation Denims, 10 1/2c per yard

Hungarian Cloths, 16c per yard

Art Cretonnes, 17c per yard

Fancy Ticking, 16c

Burlaps, Figured  
23 cts., plain 16 cts.

China Silks  
A few odd pieces, 49 cents.

Silkolenes  
8 3-4c and 11 1-2 cts.

Indian Seats  
98 cts. \$1 75 for \$1 19.

Furniture Coverings  
Short pieces and remnants at  
goods, 59 cts. Wool, 87 cts.  
25 cents on a dollar. 50 cent

Beautiful 35 inch Tapestry, at 98  
cts., was \$1 75 and \$2 00 per  
yard. Brocatelle at one-third  
off.

High-Grade Milton  
Velvet Carpets  
To be 95 cts. per yard, worth  
\$1 15 to \$1 50.

Magnificent High-Grade  
Plush Carpets  
Worth \$1 15 to \$1 25, to be  
87 1/2 cents per yard.

Honest Tapestry Carpets  
Worth 75c to 90c per yard,  
to be 63 cents per yard.

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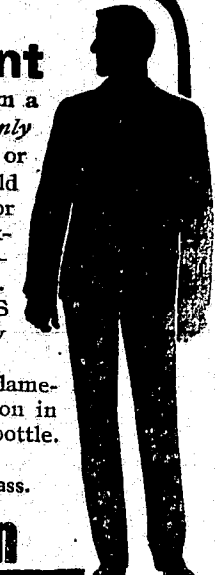
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Gorham,	4.00	8.23	3.09
Gilead,	...	8.38	3.33
West Bethel,	...	8.47	3.44
BETHEL, arrive.	4.45	8.53	3.50
Lockes Mills,	...	9.00	4.00
Bryant Pond,	5.05	9.05	4.10
South Paris,	5.36	9.30	4.40
Lewiston,	6.40	10.30	5.30
Portland, arrive	7.30	11.15	6.15
Boston, via rail,	A. M. P. M.		
Boston, via boat,	12.45	4.10	3.00

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	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	8.15	1.30	7.00
Lewiston,	9.00	2.30	7.50
South Paris,	10.00	3.38	8.47
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.10	9.13
Lockes Mills,	10.35	4.18	9.20
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46	4.32	9.37
West Bethel,	10.54	4.42	9.46
Gilead,	11.05	4.54	9.59
Gorham,	11.33	5.40	10.25
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50	1.00
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# MASTER and SLAVE

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**CHAPTER XII.**  
**THE LAW SUPREME.**  
**S**EPTEMBER of the year 1890  
was exceptionally hot and  
dry even for the climate of the  
Louisiana. Navigation of the  
Mississippi's tributaries was  
impracticable. The baked alluvion  
crumbled into a depth of impalpable  
dust, which rose in clouds at the dis-  
turbance of a dog's trot. The stiff  
lands were of stony hardness. Creamy  
white lay the cotton fields on either  
side of the bayous to the green borders  
of the moss hung swamps, and the  
beds of the deep yawning bayous  
themselves could almost be traversed  
dry shod.

It was afternoon at the close of the  
month when Evariste, attired in the  
latest of the city's modes, alighted  
from his buggy at Mother Deshaute-  
lles' gate. Though he had driven the  
long distance from Red River landing,  
on the Mississippi, where he disem-  
barked from the steamboat on his re-  
turn from a visit to New Orleans, he  
appeared neither travel stained nor  
heated. Rather he looked spotless and  
cool. Laure, in a gown of stuff which  
might have been woven of the spider's  
web and which clung lovingly to her  
perfect figure, welcomed him with a  
warmth of manner which would have  
proved fatal to any of her 20 Gas-  
conoid admirers. Her beauty, though  
dark, was rich, dazzling and dangerous,  
and she knew it. She realized the pow-  
er of a smile made up of glistening  
teeth and parted carmine lips. The glim-  
mering of deep brown eyes, the arch pose  
of a pretty head and the springing  
step of dainty feet were a poem of  
health and vitality of her own composi-  
tion. But the narrow forehead and  
mouth spoke as much of will as of  
love.

She led Evariste to the shaded veran-  
da and, serving him a draft of refresh-  
ing wine, said:  
"Now tell me, great traveler that you  
are, all about the wonders of the grand  
city, for you know I have never been  
there."

"Oh, no," he replied. "I saw no won-  
ders except miles of steaming streets  
and swarms of sweltering people."

"Nothing short of Paris for you,  
then?" said Laure.

"Well, I might compromise on Vien-  
na or possibly Nice. But see, Laure,  
what I bring you." Evariste took from  
his pocket a small packet, opening  
which she discovered a dainty Russian  
leather and satin lined case, with gold-  
en initials "L. L." inlaid upon it and  
within it the watch given her by Quil-  
lebert, which Evariste had taken to be  
repaired in New Orleans. Lifting the  
watch, she discovered at the end of the  
chain a charm, a gold crescent studded  
with wine red rubies and sparkling dia-  
monds.

She could not speak her delight at  
once, but looked in an ecstasy from the  
jewel to the young man and from him  
to the jewel—her face would then have  
been an artist's treasure—until words  
came to her, when she exclaimed:  
"From you to me?"

"If you will accept," he said.  
"I do accept," she cried, "and shall  
prize this crescent as the most precious  
of my possessions. But what will Es-  
telle say?"

"What will Quillebert say?" returned  
Evariste, with some shade of irritation  
in his voice.

"Why?" asked Laure, startled.

"He gave you the watch and chain,"  
he said.

"And she gave you the"—She check-  
ed herself and bit her lip in vexation.

"The what, Laure? Say it and let it  
go."

"Forgive me, my friend. Yes, let it  
go and with it any thought of those  
two persons who?"

"Let us not speak ill of the absent,  
but talk of other things. Be prepared  
for unwelcome news from the city later  
on. Quillebert will lose the suit."

"Why do you say that?"

"Because I heard the arguments in  
the supreme court and thought I ob-  
served their effect upon the judges and  
the assembled lawyers. The whole  
matter is exceedingly distasteful to me,  
as you know; still I could not well de-  
cline my brother's invitation to be pres-  
ent at the trial of the appeal. Zabourin  
made a learned and forcible effort for  
Quillebert, quoting authorities and  
drawing deductions which appeared  
absolutely unanswerable. But Horace,  
with an ease at which I marveled, met  
every proposition, and his irresistible  
logic picked it into shreds. He ex-  
posed the sophistries of Zabourin's con-  
tention and flung them aside. With  
childlike simplicity of language he  
made Leon's case so plain that every  
layman understood the principles on  
which it rested as thoroughly as did  
the most learned lawyer, and with the  
eloquence that comes of unfeigned  
earnestness he held up the justice and  
equity supporting the decision of Judge  
Tallieur. He appeared to carry every  
man within hearing of his voice, and  
when he concluded it seemed that all  
doubts of the righteousness of his case  
had been demolished. His peroration  
was beautiful and pathetic without  
being theatrical—in fact, was what  
they call a prose poem. I was as much  
amazed as any of his hearers could  
have been. I cannot divine when and  
where he got all the wealth and vari-

ety of learning he displayed in that ad-  
dress."  
Laure was interested, but not pleas-  
ed, by Evariste's glowing account of  
his brother's brilliant and masterly or-  
atory.  
"Where is M. Horace?" she asked.  
"He came up on the boat with you?"  
"No, why?"  
"Oh, nothing. I only supposed he had  
returned with you and stopped at Es-  
telle's. That is what he will do when  
he does come back."  
"Laure, why do you persist in such  
allusions. You surely know full well  
how they wound me."  
"Of course I do. But it is not to  
wound you. No; it is to make you see  
who they are that care nothing for  
your happiness. That girl is as indif-  
ferent to you as the pearl whose beau-  
ty she vainly affects. She reaches for  
fortune; you have none. She aspires  
to American ladyship; you are a creole.  
Stay with your kind, my friend. It  
will pay you best in the long run."  
This speech was a whip cut to Eva-  
riste's spirit, and words of chagrin and  
anger rose to his lips, yet he forced  
them back and, consummate actor that  
he was, gave no sign of his suffering.  
"You have not told me where your  
brother is," Laure said, fondling the  
crescent lovingly.  
"I left him at New Orleans talking  
politics. One hears nothing else there  
now. The supporters of Breckinridge  
encourage Horace to run for congress,  
and he is quite willing to do so, though  
he tells them he is opposed to the ex-  
tension of slavery. They regard the  
race as being entirely between Mr.  
Breckinridge and Mr. Douglas. Lin-  
coln's candidacy is laughed at."  
"If the lawsuit should be decided  
against M. Horace, he will be bitterly  
opposed in this parish," Laure ob-  
served.  
"That is a very big if," Evariste re-  
plied.  
"And if Lincoln should win a great  
many plans will be upset. I know  
nothing of politics, but they say these  
things on the highlands." Laure smil-  
ed apologetically.  
"You must make that 'if' still larger,  
Laure. The great heads in the city will  
hardly admit that Lincoln is running."  
"I have heard my grandfather say  
there were just two smart men in this  
parish—Baldouine and Quillebert—one  
gifted as if from God, the other as if  
by the devil."  
"Well?" queried Evariste.  
"I have also heard that Baldouine  
said not long ago that if both Douglas  
and Breckinridge are candidates to the  
end Lincoln will be elected president,  
and Quillebert has said that he will  
win the suit in the supreme court."  
Laure had spoken with a positiveness  
and without its effect upon  
Evariste, and as he pursued his jour-  
ney homeward he seriously revolved in  
his mind these possibilities and their  
bearing upon his own aims and inter-  
ests.  
Oakleaf returned a week later, and  
his supporters set actively to work to  
secure a favorable delegation to the  
convention called to meet at Baton  
Rouge on the 15th day of October. They  
were successful, though considerable  
strength was developed against him.  
It was believed he would receive the  
nomination, which would be tantam-  
ount to election. His friends proud-  
ly anticipated the distinction his career  
in congress would give to the parish  
and had agreed upon three representa-  
tive citizens to accompany him in a  
short canvass of the district after the  
convention. He had spent a happy  
hour with Estelle and was sitting in  
his plantation office thinking of her  
when Leon brought letters and papers  
from New Orleans just arrived by way  
of the Red River landing. One bulky  
envelope bore the card of a profes-  
sional friend of whom he had request-  
ed the earliest possible news of the  
court's judgment. The letter said:  
"I caused a copy to be made of the  
opinion handed down by the supreme  
court this morning in the suit of Leon  
Queyrouze versus Quillebert for free-  
dom and mail it by today's boat in  
order that you may know the result  
before tomorrow's newspapers can  
reach you. The chief justice was the  
organ of the court and had the con-  
viction of three of the associates. O-  
justice, as you will notice, dis-  
sented."  
Quivering with interest, he read the  
following dictum of the highest court  
of the state, penned by its chief justice:  
"The plaintiff, with his mother and  
other children, were inventoried as be-  
longing to the estate of Queyrouze.  
One Poydre, acting as agent for the  
heirs, made sale of the property, with  
the exception of the boy Leon. He sold  
the mother of the plaintiff and her other  
children to the defendant Quillebert.  
Leon himself was expressly exempted  
from the sale, being then in the keep-  
ing of one Mrs. Wyley, to whom he  
had been sent by the expressed wish of  
Queyrouze. About nine years after  
the defendant obtained possession of  
the plaintiff and enjoyed the benefit of  
his labor until he ran away after the  
institution of this suit."  
"There is testimony in the record to  
show that Queyrouze and his heirs in-  
tended that Leon should be free and  
some conversations in which he said  
he was free. The plaintiff, however,  
never asserted his freedom and never

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left the service of the defendant until  
he absconded after the bringing of  
this suit. On the contrary, he admitted  
he was a slave to a person whom he  
wished to bargain for him.

"However desirous the heirs of Quey-  
rouze may have been that the plaintiff  
should become free, their wishes alone  
could not make him so. This being a  
matter affecting the public order, it  
required the action of the public au-  
thorities before it could be brought  
about."

"It is apparent that in this contro-  
versy it is a matter of no consequence  
who is the owner, whether Quillebert  
or the heirs of Queyrouze. The only  
question which we can consider is  
whether the plaintiff had acquired the  
status of a free person of color prior to  
the promulgation of the act of 1857,  
which now prohibits emancipation."

"It is quite clear that the plaintiff  
has never enjoyed his liberty for one  
week, much less the space of ten years.  
He has been all his life under the con-  
trol of others, who have enjoyed the  
benefit of his labor. It matters not, so  
far as this controversy is concerned,  
whether the defendant Quillebert has  
acted in good or bad faith or whether  
he has acted against the wishes of the  
heirs of Queyrouze. If the plaintiff  
cannot show the facts on which the  
law declares his emancipation or free-  
dom, he must fall in his action."

[To be continued.]

The scratch of a pin may cause  
the loss of a limb or even death  
when blood poisoning results from  
the injury. All danger of this  
may be avoided, however, by  
promptly applying Chamberlain's  
Pain Balm. It is an antiseptic  
and quick healing liniment for  
cuts, bruises and burns.

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## A Hard Struggle.



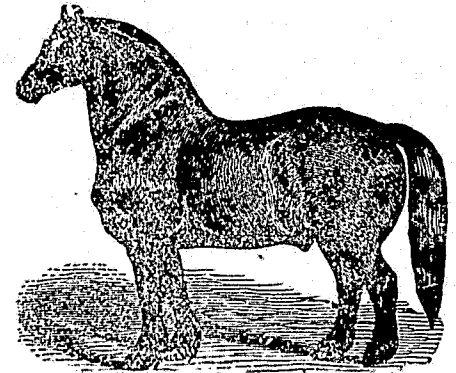
It's a hard struggle to fight the battles of life with the heavy burdens of kidney ills. The constantly aching back—

The weariness—Distressing urinary disorders—All yield quickly to

## Doan's Kidney Pills, A Modern Medicine for Every Kidney Ill.

Mr. T. H. Hughes, of Saxtons River, Vt., employed by B. F. Locke & Co., says: "My kidneys did not act properly for years, and I gradually grew on me. For two or three years they troubled me very much with a dull, aching pain across my back and in my loins. If I stood on my feet for any length of time I felt the pain across my back more and my legs became numb. When the pain in my back got so bad that I could stand it no longer, I put on Doan's Pills advertised, and so well recommended, that I was induced to give them a trial, and I got them at Andrew's drug store. They gave me immediate relief. After the treatment I seldom felt any symptoms of my former troubles, but when I did I took a few of Doan's Kidney Pills and it soon left me. My rheumatic pains were not so severe, and I did not have that tired, languid feeling. I had more energy in doing my work and give all the credit to Doan's Kidney Pills. They did me a great deal of good, and I feel justified in recommending them to others as a good and reliable medicine."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all druggists; 50 cents per box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.



I wish to say to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I have opened a Sale Stable at my place in Bethel, and will keep a large stock of horses, weighing from 1000 to 1400 each, constantly on hand. If you need a good horse, come to me and I will please you.

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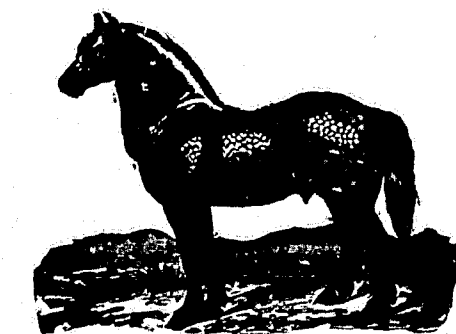
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## Woman's World

MRS. J. S. FREESE.

She is One of the Most Expert Guides and Hunters in Maine.

Of the 1,800 registered guides in Maine there are three women, and of these the only one in the region of the headwaters of the Penobscot is Mrs. J. S. Freese of Riverton. Mrs. Freese is a young lady, bright and vivacious, and talks very entertainingly, though modestly, of her life in the woods.

"I do not make a business of guiding," she said in the course of an interview. "I have a nice home and all the comforts one can wish for, but I have many friends who come from a considerable distance to hunt hereabout, and they wish me to take them into the woods. This is as great a pleasure for me as for them, and so it is that I have applied and received a guide's license. I have tramped, hunted, fish-



MRS. J. S. FREESE.

ed and canoed in this region since I was a child, and it is almost second nature to me. I love the woods and the creatures of the woods, and am happy when with them.

"My favorite hunting ground is reached by a nine mile canoe trip and four miles of tramping, to say nothing of the distance in actual hunting and then the journey home. I have made this trip regularly and come home not as much exhausted as many people after an afternoon of shopping. I have shot nearly every kind of game in the Maine woods, and every season am pretty sure to get my allowance. I like bird hunting over my dog Willie.

"Get lost—never! I always carry a compass, but seldom need it, as I am familiar with the country for miles around, and even if I was obliged to stay out over night I shouldn't mind it. Registered guides don't get lost."

Mrs. Freese is no doubt one of the most expert hunters and guides in Maine. She is a deadly shot with a rifle and rarely misses a deer when she finds one which she thinks is worthy to be counted as one of her allowance. She is also a fine wing shot and brings in large bags of birds in the season.

Mrs. Freese is also quite expert at tanning skins and has some very fine specimens of her handiwork. In her hunting career she has had a number of interesting and exciting adventures, but has never yet been scared of anything which the wilds of Maine has produced and has met all kinds of the wildest denizens. She hunts all through the winter and spends weeks in her camp during the coldest of the weather, which has no terrors for her.

**Shopwork Versus Housework.**

The Wisconsin state labor bureau has been collecting reasons why girls prefer work in factories and stores to household service. Inquiries were sent to 700 persons. Among the answers were these:

If ladies would only give girls better rooms, kinder treatment and warmer beds and let them live independently, more girls would do housework.

I went into the factory because I wished to be treated like a human being.

The reason I won't do housework is because I will not be treated like half a slave and always a nobody.

I love housework; but, like a host of other girls, I refuse to do it under present conditions.

I am treated better in the factory in every way, and, besides, I am no longer obliged to entertain in the kitchen or receive my friends at the back door, since I can live at home with my own people.

There is no sign in these replies of an instance on the part of servants that they be regarded as members of the family. They desire as little to intrude on other circles as they wish for intrusion upon their own. But they complain justly when the fact of social distinctions is thrust upon them with baid brutality. The Wisconsin answers, which would probably be good for any other state, suggest that upon the untactful mistress of the house lies a large burden of responsibility for "the servant girl problem" as it is.—New York World.

**Dressing of the Windows.**

The best way of hanging a curtain is by rings from a stout pole if it is heavy or from a slender brass rod if it is light. Window curtains may reach to the floor and be looped back with



Don't forget the old man with the fish on his back.

For nearly thirty years he has been traveling around the world, and is still traveling, bringing health and comfort wherever he goes.

To the consumptive he brings the strength and flesh he so much needs.

To all weak and sickly children he gives rich and strengthening food.

To thin and pale persons he gives new firm flesh and rich red blood.

Children who first saw the old man with the fish are now grown up and have children of their own.

He stands for Scott's Emulsion of pure cod liver oil—a delightful food and a natural tonic for children, for old folks and for all who need flesh and strength.

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hands of themselves or they may be pushed back and hang on either side in straight folds to the sill. Then they frame the window without contradicting its lines. A good finish is a valance across the top anywhere from ten to twenty inches deep, according to the height and shape of the window, or a short piece like a section of a valance may hang between the two curtains, connecting them. In thin curtains, rings may be dispensed with, and the brass rod may run through a casing made for it, with a standing ruffle above.

Of course a heavy curtain—velours, damask, burlap or what not—has no ruffle on top. It either hangs from rings or has a deep casing on the pole. Any extra length may be allowed to hang over. With a fringe or a border it makes a good finish. It should not, however, be more than twenty inches and that only in a high room.

**The Decorative Plaster Cast.**

The decorative possibilities of the plaster cast plaque and panel are well known to any one who has used them to further the schemes of the home beautiful. While they are rather striking, if a single one is used in a room, several or many of them will take away to some extent the shock of the scheme of decoration and give a mellowed art effect that is interesting. One recommendation of the plaster ornaments is their extreme cheapness. So much artistic beauty for the money can scarcely be procured in any other line. It does not even pay to have the smaller ones mended when broken, as a new one costs little more than the price of repairing. The casts are white when turned out, but are tinted in the various shades afterward. Light or dark tints seem to endure equally well.

**A Pattern Case.**

Most useful is a pattern case. Take a strip of some heavy stuff—cretonne, denim or cheviot. Let it be a yard long and twelve inches wide. At equal distances on this strip place tapes lengthwise. Three of these will be sufficient. Tack them firmly down to the material at distances of four inches. Fasten them also at the ends, and at one end at the center of the strip fix two long tapes, let loose to tie the case. Bind the case all round with more tape and insert the patterns by slipping them under the lengthwise tapes. Roll up and tie round the loose ends of tape. When a pattern is wanted, it is easily found by unrolling the case, when all the patterns lie open to inspection.

**Children's Lunches.**

In packing the children's luncheon basket remember to put in a few nut meats, preferably almonds. These contain very little starchy matter, which in its raw state, as it is in most nuts, is very indigestible. If each almond serves as a filling to a date from which the stone has been removed, the necessary sugar will be furnished, which with the proteid of the almond makes a good and nourishing combination. Four or five of these done up in wax paper are easily carried and most satisfyingly supplement a chopped meat or sliced olive sandwich.

**Cleanse the inside of the coffee pot**

every few days with a thorough salt rubbing and rinsing.

Be as careful in dress at home as you would when abroad.

## London & Lancashire Fire Ins. Co. of Liverpool, Eng.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1902.  
Real estate, \$300,000 00  
Stocks and Bonds, 1,684,054 87  
Cash in office and bank, 268,229 34  
Bills receivable, 3,884 51  
Interest and rents, 24,061 17  
Uncollected premiums, 371,515 19  
All other assets, 102,875 82

Gross assets, \$2,755,220 70  
Deduct items not admitted, 9,005 38

Admitted assets, \$2,746,215 34  
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1902.  
Net unpaid losses, \$123,005 32  
Unearned premiums, 1,626,532 24  
All other liabilities, 118,294 12

Total, \$1,807,891 68  
Surplus over all liabilities, 875,323 66  
Total liabilities and surplus, 2,746,215 34  
**Freeland Howe, Agent,**  
Norway, Me.

## NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO., of London, England.

Incorporated in 1856.  
Amount at risk, \$27,406,569.  
CASH ASSETS, Dec. 31, 1902.  
Real Estate owned by the Company, unincumbered, \$140,000.00  
Loans on Bonds and Mortgages, (first liens), 2,627,605.00  
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, market value, 146,121.65  
Cash in the Company's principal offices, and in banks, 11,806.38  
Interest due and accrued, 495,881.43  
Premiums in due course of collection, 1,816.44  
Other items of Assets, \$3,423,230.90

LIABILITIES, Dec. 31, 1902.  
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, \$215,129.94  
Reserved for re-insurance, 1,625,664.06  
Commissions and other demands against the Company, 157,822.21  
All liabilities, except capital stock and net surplus, 1,998,616.11  
Capital paid up in cash. None in the United States.  
Surplus beyond capital, 1,424,614.79

**Freeland Howe, Esq., Agent,**  
Norway, Me.

## GENERAL ACCIDENT ASSURANCE CORPORATION, of Great Britain.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1902.  
Real Estate, \$35,585 75  
Mortgage Loans, 35,000 00  
Stocks and Bonds, 20,682 25  
Cash in Office and Bank, 20,651 64  
Interest and Rents, 4,001 95  
Uncollected Premiums, 43,393 78

Gross Assets, \$145,721 37  
Admitted Assets, \$145,721 37

Net unpaid Losses, \$53,825 42  
Unearned Premiums, 170,168 87  
All other Liabilities, 11,250 83

Total, \$235,243 12  
Cash Deposit, 250,000 00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, 60,478 25

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$545,721 37

**Chas. S. Walker, Agent,**  
Peru, Maine.

## CONNECTICUT Fire Insurance Company of Hartford.

Cash capital, \$1,000,000 00  
Reserve for reinsurance, 2,301,185 61  
Unpaid losses, 230,970 47  
Net surplus, 1,202,635 75

Total assets, Jan. 1, 1903, \$4,734,791 83  
J. D. BROWNE, President.  
CHARLES R. BURT, Secretary.  
L. W. CLARKE, Assistant Sec'y.  
W. T. HOWE, Assistant Sec'y.

**Freeland Howe, Agent,**  
Norway, Me.

## U. S. Branch Sun Insurance Office.

Assets Dec. 31, 1902.  
Real estate, \$250,000 00  
Mortgage loans, 188,000 00  
Stocks and bonds, 1,725,884 16  
Cash in office and bank, 209,228 93  
Agents' balances, 350,865 57  
Interest and rents, 24,120 82  
All other assets, 94,009 59  
Gross Assets, 2,802,108 87

Admitted assets, \$2,902,198 87  
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1902.

Net unpaid losses, \$179,139 58  
Unearned premiums, 1,677,505 04  
All other liabilities, 87,782 43

Total, \$1,944,427 65  
Surplus over all liabilities, 857,711 22  
Total liabilities and surplus, 2,802,198 87

**Freeland Howe, Agent,**  
Norway, Me.

## PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:  
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three. The following matter having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, is hereby ORDERED:

"That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of February, A. D. 1903, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause."

SARAH B. FRENCH late of Bethel, deceased, will and petition for probate thereof presented by Ellery C. Park, the executor therein named.

WILLIAM H. CLARK late of Bethel, deceased, first and final account presented for allowance, also petition for order to distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by Ellery C. Park, administrator de bonis non with the will annexed.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

**NOTICE.**  
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of JOSEPH S. MASON late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 36 Jan. 20, 1903. Ellery C. Park.

**NOTICE.**  
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of JESSE D. RUSSELL late of Hanover, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 36 Jan. 20, 1903. William B. Russell.

**NOTICE.**  
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of SOPHRONIA W. GROVER late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 36 Jan. 20, 1903. Darius H. Grover.

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Yours truly,

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The Rev. Father Charles Goulet says:

"I desire to recommend Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy for dyspepsia and sleeplessness. It has been used for that with very beneficial results, and it gives me great pleasure to thus publicly announce the benefits Dr. Greene's Nervura has conferred upon myself and my friends. My permission is freely granted to publish this letter, with my photograph."—This and all testimonials genuine. Anyone interested can see original on file at Dr. Greene's office.

Dr. Greene's advice is free. Consult him in person or by letter. Address, 34 Temple Pl., Boston.

Dr. Greene's Nervura regulates the stomach, strengthens the digestive organs with new, rich blood, and revitalizes the system.

**Cures Dyspepsia and Indigestion.**

### WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

Changeable weather continues. The annual election of town officers draweth near.

February is giving us an unusual number of stormy days.

Two extra men were added to the section crew here last week.

Hazen B. Lowell and wife are now with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lowell.

The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Haskell is still quite sick, but is thought to be improving.

Lumber teams have been carrying heavy loads for a few days, the roads being smooth and solid.

Miss Carrie Rollins of Bethel Hill recently visited friends and old schoolmates in this village.

Doctors Twaddle, Sturdivant and Wight of Bethel Hill, are frequently called to this village, and we hope a good physician will soon settle here.

We like to see local items printed as written, but in the News of the 4th, the compositor took whooping cough from Geo. Harden and gave the disease to Geo. Mason without the consent of either party.

Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

**Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.**

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers. They filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits.

It is sold in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

### NORTH WEST BETHEL.

R. G. Lane is suffering with a bad knee, and is obliged to use crutches.

The roads are very bad requiring a great deal of labor to keep them in a passable condition.

Lester Mason cut quite a gash across his elbow recently.

Mrs. Cyrene Littlehale is keeping house for F. L. Chapman.

Harvey Perkins who has been working at William C. Chapman's, has gone to his home in Augusta.

Arthur Stearns recently spent a week at his brother's logging camp up in Sunday River valley.

### ALBANY—VALLEY ROAD.

Henry Rugg has finished working for Chadbourne, and has hired W. E. Cummings' house near Libby's mill, and will move there immediately.

Mrs. Bruce is in poor health.

Wm. Chase and Mrs. Adella Kimball were in Bethel recently.

Arthur Andrews is improving.

Mrs. Geo. Cummings is better. Her sister, Sybil Cummings, is working for her.

Roscoe Andrews has returned from Redding. He was not favorably impressed with the place.

The "fathers of the town" have been making up their work in the "big book". The result of their labors is now in the printer's hands.

Harry McNally and Will Grover have nearly finished hauling lumber.

Mrs. Geo. Grover accompanied by Maud Beckler visited Mrs. Dolly A. Millie who has been confined to her room for a number of weeks, but who is now steadily improving in health.

We are sorry to learn of the illness of Hildred Tyler, granddaughter of C. W. Rolfe.

The Circle will meet at the vestry the 19th, and will be entertained by Dora Beckler and Ella Cummings; all are invited.

Come one, come all. Both great, and small. And for five cents, Give your pocket a call.

Carleton Saunders was at G. E. Grover's on business recently.

Mrs. N. C. Moore has suffered much from a cold since her return from Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Carrie Cole has decided to go to the hospital for treatment, as her foot does not improve. The Ladies' Club has been meeting with her constantly since she has been unable to go out.

The Grange meeting will be held Saturday, Feb. 21 at 2 p. m. G. E. Grover and wife were in Bethel recently.

### EAST BETHEL.

Dr. Twitchell from Andover visited patients here the 15th.

Miss Amy Bartlett closed her school on Bird Hill, Bethel, the 15th.

Miss Jennie Swan is working for Mrs. Peers who is very ill.

M. K. Hamlin from Durham who has been visiting here the past three weeks has returned home by way of Rumford Falls.

Orman Farwell is pressing hay with a hand hay press recently purchased of Sears, Roebuck & Co.

Miss Maud Russell and Mr. Lester Bean are taking a course in the Home Correspondence Business College, Springfield, Mass.

The Literary Club was very pleasantly entertained by Mrs. S. E. Rich last Saturday afternoon.

Three new books have recently been purchased; the Crisis, Audrey and Quincy Adams Sawyer.

### CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. H. H. H.* GRAFTON.

C. T. Parker was home from Newry over Sunday.

Mrs. O. W. Brooks was called to Sunday River Sunday, by the ill of her mother.

J. E. Brooks of Upton, has finished logging in this town and moved home Saturday.

Ruth Brown who has been visiting in Auburn and vicinity the past few weeks, returned home Saturday.

### SOUTH BETHEL.

The little three-year-old daughter of Amos King broke her leg last Friday, while out sliding.

Miss Susie Hutchins visited Mrs. I. A. Cushman a few days last week.

Amos Bennett called on friends here Sunday.

Alfred Peaslee has finished his employment with Frank Cummings.

Miss Dorcas Cushman is at Dr. Sturdivant's for a few weeks.

Mr. Edwin Currier is working for I. A. Cushman.

Mr. R. J. Virgin of Rumford Falls was in this place Monday.

Mr. Will Bean is crippled by the rheumatism this winter.

### GILEAD.

Dr. Marble was in town Friday the 6th.

D. L. Austin is reported to be dangerously sick.

Mrs. John Newell is laid up with a sprained ankle.

J. W. Bennett has finished hauling logs for Wm. Jewell.

Herbert Wheeler is sawing wood on the river bank for the Rumford Falls International paper mills.

A. L. Bennett and wife are being congratulated on the birth of a granddaughter, born Tuesday, the 3rd.

James Guptill has moved from the village to West Bethel and is running the hotel there with good success.

J. W. Bennett's house, known as the Dixy house, caught fire Wednesday, the 4th, and was burned to the ground.

### Local Freight Rates

Are quite an item these days. Oren Hooper's Sons, Portland, Me., the progressive household outfitters, prepay the freight, also give you your money back if not satisfied on all retail purchases.

That is a saving not offered by any other company in Maine.

## Salt Rheum

It may become chronic.

It may cover the body with large, inflamed, burning, itching, scaling patches and cause intense suffering. It has been known to do so.

Do not delay treatment.

Thoroughly cleanse the system of the humors on which this ailment depends and prevent their return.

The medicine taken by Mrs. Ida E. Ward, Cove Point, Md., was Hood's Sarsaparilla. She writes: "I had a disagreeable itching on my arms which I concluded was salt rheum. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and in two days felt better. It was not long before I was cured and I have never had any skin disease since."

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**

Promises to cure and keeps the promise. It is positively unequalled for all cutaneous eruptions. Take it.

### WIT AND WISDOM.

Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

Mistress—Is that sewer gas I smell?

Bridget (late arrived from Oshkosh)—No, ma'am. I've cleaned the rooms, made the beds and turned on the gas ready for the night.

The best physic. "Once tried and you will use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says William A. Girard, Pease, Vt. These Tablets are the most prompt, most pleasant and most reliable cathartic in use.

For sale by G. H. Wiley, Bethel, E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

Polly—Auntie says you made yourself horridly conspicuous at the musical last night.

Energy all gone? Headache? Stomach out of order? Simply a case of torpid liver. Bardock Blood Bitters will make a new man or woman of you.

Dolly (young and ingenue)—Well I'd like to know what she'd call in conspicuous! George and I were quite out of sight, clear around the turn in the stairs, the whole evening.

### Many School Children are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all Druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le-Roy, N. H.

"I could live on a climate like this," exclaimed the enthusiastic visitor.

Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

Betzer—Why do you have iron bars in front of your kitchen windows and door?

Hundreds of lives saved every year by having Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house just when it is needed. Cures croup, burns, cuts, wounds of every sort.

May—I was so delighted to meet her at a bargain sale this morning.

Fay—I thought you detested her.

May—So I do, and during the crush I found a chance to give her a few good digs on my own account.

**A Certain Cure for Chilblains.**

Shake into your shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder that cures Chilblains, Frostbites, Damp, Swelling, Swollen feet. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c.

Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

Shemster—To prevent the escape of the cook.

All the healing balsamic virtues of the Norway pine are concentrated in Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Nature's own remedy for coughs and colds.

Uncle—How old are you, Jimmy?

Jimmy—I'm thirteen at home, fourteen at school, and eleven in the train.

It's a mistake to imagine that itching piles can't be cured; a mistake to suffer a day longer than you can help. Doan's Ointment brings instant relief and permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

"The late James Dick of Glasgow, left \$10,000 to his cook," remarked Mr. Snaggs to his wife.

"She must have been in the family at least a year," commented Mrs. Snaggs.

Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer.

"Well," drawled the Billville citizen, "of yer stay in these diggin's you'll have ter!"

### CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. H. H. H.*

Mrs. Meenwell—I suppose you regret being here, don't you my poor man?

No, 2452—Yes, ma'am, hardly a day passes that some woman don't come along and shed tears all over me.

### Every Community has

Ambitious men of good character between the ages of 25 and 40, with the proper hustling qualities to represent

**THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.**

Strongest in the World. Assets, \$360,000,000. Surplus, \$75,000,000.

And that's the man we are looking for in your town. No matter what your present occupation. If you are the man, we have a lucrative position for you. You are invited to write for a free booklet, entitled "Is Your Vocation Satisfactory?" Address, F. H. HAZELTON, & CO., Managers for Maine. 93 Exchange St., PORTLAND, ME.

### London Assurance Corporation.

STATEMENT, Jan. 1, 1903.

Incorporated in 1720. CHAS. L. CASE, Manager, 44 Pine Street, N. Y.

Assets Dec. 31, 1902.

Real Estate, \$1,436,527 83

Mortgage Loans, 2,028,789 58

Collateral Loans, 388,862 89

Cash in Office and Bank, 293,594 13

Agents' Balances, 5,914 55

Interest and Rents, 8,296 63

Gross Assets, \$2,717,261 15

Deduct items not admitted, 8,296 63

Admitted Assets, \$2,708,964 52

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1902.

Net unpaid losses, \$153,908 00

Unearned Premiums, 1,848,027 54

All other liabilities, 64,562 29

Total, \$1,966,527 83

Deposits, 10,000 00

Surplus over all liabilities, 202,436 69

Total liabilities and surplus, \$1,908,964 52

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents.

3738 So. Paris, Me.

### Hamburg Bremen Fire Insurance

Co., of Hamburg, Germany.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1902.

Collateral Loans, \$40,000 00

Stocks and Bonds, 1,470,779 17

Cash in office and Bank, 55,309 11

Agents' Balances, 1,704 07

Interest and Rents, 18,357 83

Uncollected Premiums, 106,788 35

Gross Assets, 1,696,876 53

Deduct items not admitted, 5,704 07

Admitted Assets, 1,691,172 46

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1902.

Net unpaid losses, \$109,665 00

Unearned Premiums, 1,207,756 10

Total, \$1,317,421 10

Surplus over all liabilities, 373,751 36

Total liabilities and surplus, \$1,691,172 46

FREELAND HOWE, Agent.

Norway, Me.

ARTHUR E. MORRISON,

39 Rumford Falls, Me.

### Dutchess Insurance Co., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1902.

Real Estate, \$19,000 00

Mortgage Loans, 21,000 00

Collateral Loans, 1,000 00

Stocks and Bonds, 539,045 00

Cash in office and Bank, 92,858 07

Interest and Rents, 3,327 05

Uncollected Premiums, 65,699 44

All other assets, 3,186 63

Gross Assets, \$745,116 19

Deduct items not admitted, 310 19

Admitted Assets, \$744,806 00

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1902.

Net unpaid losses, \$36,301 08

Unearned Premiums, 372,947 27

All other liabilities, 29,360 14

Total, \$438,608 49

Cash Capital, 200,000 00

Surplus over all liabilities, 106,197 51

Total liabilities and surplus, \$744,806 00

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agent.

South Paris.

### Liver Pills

That's what you need; something to cure your biliousness and give you a good digestion. Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They cure constipation and biliousness. Gently laxative.

Want your mount or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Then use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE for the Whiskers.

Prepared by J. C. Buckingham, 209 N. 2nd St., New York, N. Y.

Save One-Half Your Fuel by Using the

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We also Wish to Call Your Attention to

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**CROCKERY,**

**LAMPS, AND**

**GENERAL**

**HARDWARE.**

Hastings Brothers,

Bethel, Maine.





It would seem by the thousands of cures of ovarian trouble made every year by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that the above statement is true.

When a physician tells a woman suffering with ovarian or womb trouble that an operation is necessary, it of course frightens her.

The very thought of the operating table and the knife strikes terror to her heart.

And our hospitals are full of women who are there for ovarian and womb operations!

It is quite true that these troubles may reach a stage where an operation is the only resource, but such cases are much rarer than is generally supposed, because a great many women have been cured by Mrs. Pinkham's medicine after the doctors had said the operation must be performed.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been very successful in curing ovarian troubles. In fact, up to the point where the knife must be used to secure instant relief, this medicine is certain to help.

Ovarian troubles are easily developed from womb troubles, and womb troubles are so very common that ovaritis is steadily on the increase among women. It is, nevertheless, a most serious trouble, and to recommend wrong treatment for it is a crime for which there cannot be too deep a penalty.

It is, therefore, with full consciousness of the seriousness of the disease, and the steady failure of other medicine to cure it, that we present for ovarian and womb trouble Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as the most certain to help of any medicine in the world to-day. Any person who could read the letters in Mrs. Pinkham's files at her office in Lynn, Mass., would be convinced of the efficiency of Mrs. Pinkham's Compound.

The strongest and most grateful statements possible to make come from women who have escaped the operating table by the use of this medicine. Let any woman suffering from these troubles, or anything which may develop into them, write and get Mrs. Pinkham's advice. If you are beyond the reach of the medicine, you will be frankly told so, but, if not, you will be fully, and carefully, and kindly advised.

WISE IS THE WOMAN WHO BELIEVES IN

## LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND.

### UPTON.

Mr. John Burke returned from Portland hospital last week. His side is entirely healed and when he has regained his health he hopes to be as well as ever.

Charlie Davis who has been at home for a brief visit has sold his steamboat, The Eda, to Mr. Davis of Lakeside.

The Upton Grange has decided to hold its regular meeting on the first and third Saturday of each month. The names of seven new members were proposed for admittance at the next meeting, Feb. 21.

How are your hens laying? Leppien W. Morse reports 226 eggs from 30 hens since the new year began, having got 14 dozen in the month of January.

Fred Sanborn is sawing ice at Lakeside.

Bion Sanborn is sawing wood with his horse power for Werton Sargent and John Burke.

Mr. Norton Ferren and daughter Angie visited Upton Grange the 7th.

A. W. Judkins is totting for Ellsworth Lombard.

Henry Raymond is logging at Big Island. He has solved the problem of where to live and find shelter while putting up lumber camps, by building his two camps at his mill and hauling them across the lake on horse sleds.

Bennett Morse is hauling ice at Lakeside.

A. M. Cooledge has bought a new horse of Andrews of Norway.

### "The Mineral Bath City."

Twenty one miles north of Detroit is situated Mount Clemens, a City known as "The Carlsbad of America," at which place thousands of people visit every year for treatment of different ailments; and the wonderful cures that are made with rheumatic sufferers are almost miraculous. Principal among the diseases cured are those that accrue from traces of uric acid in the blood. But the waters of the Springs are a panacea and cure for bilious and liver troubles, digestive troubles, nervous disorders, general debility, etc.

A handsome booklet giving all particulars with regard to Mount Clemens can be had by applying to J. Quinlan, D. P., A. G. T. R., Montreal, Que.

### NORTH ALBANY.

The Paris Mfg. Co.'s crew have come out of the woods, and it is understood they will not cut any more timber this winter. Mr. Swain has returned home, and Mr. King of Locke Mills, takes his place.

Mr. Sylvanus Bennett is again on the sick list.

C. Ralph Pingree is gaining very slowly from his attack of rheumatism and grip.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Rolfe were in Bethel last Friday to see their granddaughter, Mildred Tyler, who is very sick.

### MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Fred Wheeler visited at his sister Fannie's last week.

Mrs. P. Philbrook is staying with Fannie Briggs.

Geo. Briggs went to West Bethel Sunday to call on friends.

The many friends of Rosie Coolidge are pleased to learn that she is in such good spirits. She is one who has ever been ready to help any one, rich or poor in time of need, and has watched over many a sick one giving encouraging words to those in sorrow; now she needs friends, and we should be ready to do for one who has spent her whole life in doing for others.

Savings Banks Pay 3 per cent. Interest.

That is all they can afford to pay. To pay that rate they must invest their funds in securities yielding at least 4 1/2%, for they are obliged to pay 1 1/2% tax, 1/2% to reserve fund, and expenses are 1%. We will sell you bonds paying 3 1/2% to 4 1/2% same as banks invest in. Why not invest for yourself and get 4 1/2% instead of 3% interest with the same or better security. Write for circulars, stating amount you desire. 2ms89

S. E. MAY & CO., Lewiston, Me.

### Wanted.

A girl to do general housework in a family of two. Will pay \$3.00 per week. Address, ISABEL HARRICK, Rumford Falls.

### The Franklin Fire Insurance Co. of Philadelphia.

Assets Dec. 31, 1902.	
Real estate, .....	\$ 238,200 00
Mortgage loans, .....	101,808 00
Collateral loans, .....	105,000 00
Stocks and bonds, .....	2,471,428 00
Cash in office and bank, .....	72,901 93
Interest and rents, .....	2,107 87
Uncollected premiums, .....	111,438 20
Gross assets, .....	\$3,102,988 80
Deduct items not admitted, .....	10,588 88
Admitted assets, .....	\$3,092,378 97
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1902.	
Net unpaid losses, .....	\$ 61,960 23
Unearned premiums, .....	1,584,970 79
All other liabilities, .....	24,384 22
Total, .....	\$1,671,315 24
Cash capital, .....	400,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities, .....	1,021,063 73
Total liabilities and surplus, .....	\$3,092,378 97

### WANT COLUMN.

#### Farm for Sale.

Farm of 120 acres situated in Hanover and well divided as to tillage, pasture and wood land. Two-story house of ten rooms, large ell and good barn with cellar under same. Good running water in house and barn. For particulars inquire of M. J. Swain on premises. 39

#### Strike at Oxford.

The night spinners at the Robinson Woolen mill in Oxford went out on a strike last Friday night. They have been getting \$8.25 a week and demand \$9. Saturday morning part of the day spinners also struck, asking for \$8.25 per week. It is possible that a new wage schedule paying by work per pound may be adopted.

#### To All Whose Sight Requires Artificial Assistance.

The value of perfect sight is only known by the want of it. Dr. J. Franklin Harris, ophthalmic optician, formerly of Worcester, Mass., now located at So. Paris, wishes to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that he will be at the Bethel hotel Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, where he will be prepared to do all kinds of optical work; spectacles and eye glasses of all kinds skillfully fitted to the eyes; lenses ground to order for all kinds of peculiar vision.

ARTIFICIAL eyes fitted without pain. DEFECTIVE eyes a specialty, first-class work only. Dr. Harris examines scientifically and accurately by the most approved method known to modern science all who desire to have their eyes tested FREE OF CHARGE. A specialty is made of complicated and difficult cases, particularly those of the different forms of astigmatism. Remember if you have been unable to secure perfect vision elsewhere it will certainly be of great benefit to you to have a thorough examination of your eyes. Physicians are especially invited to investigate his method of correcting errors in refraction; all work warranted.

Dr. Harris is a graduate of South Bend College of Optics, Indiana, and has been located in So. Paris one year in which time he has fitted over one thousand, among them some of the most prominent people of Bethel whom he can refer you to.

Notice will be given in the next issue of this paper where he will have his office as he intends to locate permanently in Bethel, but will be at the hotel at the above dates. All examinations free and his prices for work will be as low as is consistent with first-class work.

### CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson



For 30 Years a Mainstay

WALLACE STAPLES, of Bethel, Maine writes as to this

True "L.F." Atwood's Bitters

"I would say of this remedy, we have used it for 30 years in our family. My wife has used it since childhood for indigestion, heart burn and bilious troubles. We find it good at all seasons."

### BLUE STORES

#### Now is the Season for

Dances, Concerts, Lectures, and all indoor amusements. This year we have wisely (?) decided to mark down our BLACK UN-DRESSED WORSTED SUITS, along with our regular Winter line that we are anxious to close up as fast as possible.

#### Why Not Buy One Now!

Just what every man needs, whether he be old or young. Our line is good! We have three suits for \$8.00, \$10.00 and \$12.00. The \$12.00 suit, (regular price \$15.00,) made of cloth manufactured by the "Globe Woolen Mills." Nothing better made up in Ready-to-wear Clothing. All made from medium weight goods, just right for seasons of the year. Let us show them to you.

#### GOODS SENT ON APPROVAL.

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We have constantly on hand a nice line of

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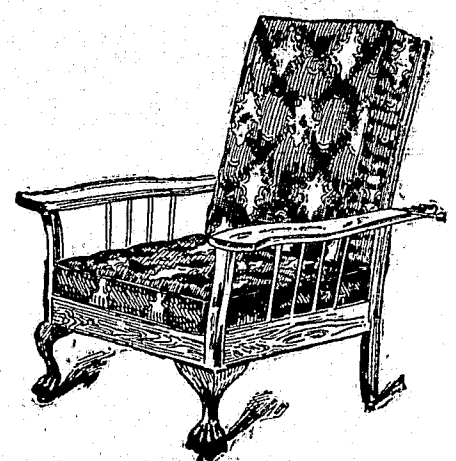
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Special attention to

## Fancy Chairs and Rockers.

Our prices are right, and you should examine our line before purchasing elsewhere.

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## HONEST GOODS DEALING PRICES

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## Fur Coats At Cost.

We have marked all of our Fur Coats at cost to close them out. These coats were all made by Hansens' Empire Fur Factory, which is a guaranty of excellence. All sizes are in stock at present. All of our Overcoats and many of our suits are marked down, too.

H. B. FOSTER,  
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## To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Cures Grip in Two Days. on every box 25c. This signature, E. H. Brown

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